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A Miraculous Escape.

We wonder at times when we hear of an auto or some other accident how it happened that one or all were not sent into eternity. Such an accident occurred Friday evening of last week, September 14, when just such an accident occurred on the Brown hill, at the north limits of our city. It is simply a miracle that one or more persons were not killed outright.

The Sophomores of our high school decided on having an outing and weenie-rost Friday evening, September 14. Cars were provided and driven by Sophomores Harold Hinde, Earl Pierce and Gary Alkire. The three cars were "loaded to the brim." They drove out to the Ratliff place, just north of town, expecting to enjoy themselves in the grove there, but being denied the privilege they turned about and started to go south of town to the Schlotzhauer grove.

In the Harold Hinde car, a large 36 Maxwell, were Maud Stadler, Mabel Schulte, Marie Hodgins, Helen Seeman, Mildred Kunkel, Orrick Mahon, Eleanor Simerly and Miss Muriel McCandless, a member of our high school staff.

The cars were not on a "pokey" gait—in fact, they were going at a lively speed. When the Hinde car reached the Brown hill it was going some, and it seemed to strike some bumps in the road, the steering anatomy did not seem to respond, and the car got out of control of its driver, and over it went with its load of human beings.

The car turned completely over, and so great was its momentum that it completely up-ended itself and for a moment stood on its radiator, and then went to the ground, a complete wreck, and when hauled into town looked as if it had passed through a Kansas cyclone.

Mr. Ira Bucher and wife were witnesses to the accident, and were there and rendered every possible assistance to the unfortunate young people. They were brought to their homes and physicians were called, and Mabel, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Schulte lay unconscious for perhaps an hour, but she rallied.

The worst injured were Mabel Schulte, Eleanor Simerly and Miss McCandless, who all received badly wrenched backs and shoulders. Miss Eleanor being in the worst condition of the three; her hip and limb being badly strained to such an extent that she is likely to be confined to her bed for a few weeks. The remainder of the crowd received only slight bruises or cuts, and were out in their seats at school, Monday, just as if nothing out of the ordinary had happened—but something did happen, and that was it the hand of Providence that saved these young lives. Harold Hinde, the driver of the car, escaped being scratched even. He is the son of Weed Hinde and wife, of Kansas City, and is attending school here, making his home with his grandmother, Mrs. Flora Hinde, and is 15 years of age.

Company L There.

The Kansas City Star and many of the larger metropolitan papers took notice of the splendid parade and general soldiery bearing of Holt County's Company L, which was recently on parade at Fort Sill. It was in the form of a rag-tag make-up, but when they got down to the real side of military movements, the spectators simply went wild with delight and approval. The Star, of the 8th inst., says:

"A regular Missouri band dog parade was staged at Camp Doniphan September 7, when Company L, of the Fourth Missouri, welcomed another company which had just arrived. Dressed in every imaginable kind of odds and ends that could be found around the camp, 250 of the national guard from the 'show me' state began their band dog parade, singing 'You can't kick my dog around.' The parade became larger and larger until at the end 2,500 were in it. The men are keeping up their state spirit splendidly."

Would End the Suspense.

If a large part of the governors of the states approve a suggestion by the provost marshal general, an immediate examination of the 7,000,000 men registered for military service and not yet called for duty will be begun. The suggestion was made with a view to satisfying the great number of young men as to what they may expect.

Telegrams asking opinions on the advisability of such action was sent to all states, and it is expected that all replies would be received this week. To procure 687,000 men already called for service, it was found necessary to examine approximately 3,000,000.

Under the plan considered candidates would know whether they are to be selected and could make plans accordingly.

Barn Burns.

During the thunder storm of Tuesday evening, September 18, the large barn on the David Barbour farm, in the Chambers district, five miles southwest of Oregon, was struck by lightning, and totally destroyed, together with two large corn cribs, implements, harness, etc.

Frank Golden is in charge of the place, and was at the barn at the time and was badly stunned, but by heroic efforts he succeeded in getting his stock out of the barn. The lightning came about 5 p. m. In addition to the losses mentioned, he also lost 125 bushels of corn and 100 bushels of wheat. The implement loss will reach \$800. Mr. Golden's total loss will reach \$1,000, and the Barbour loss will approximate \$2,500, with partial insurance.

A 1-Cent Stamp Placed Here.

Will Send This Paper To One of Our Soldiers in France.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION.

Holt County Annual Sunday School Convention to be held in Oregon, September 24-25.

The seventeenth annual convention of the Holt County Sunday School Association will open at 9 o'clock, Monday, September 24, by the registration at the Presbyterian church in Oregon. The program will begin at 10 o'clock—a praise service led by Rev. W. C. Johnson at the Methodist church.

An unusually strong program will be presented. A praise service at each session will be led by the different pastors, as follows: "Laborers Together With God," 1 Cor. 3:1-11; Rev. W. C. Johnson; "Team Work," Romans 12:1-10, Elder B. H. Dawson; "All Nations Shall Serve Him," Ps. 72:1-11, Rev. C. F. Hand; "Serving Others," John 21:13-17, Rev. T. D. Roberts, of New Point; "The Great Gift for Service," Rev. T. A. Claggett. These services express the convention theme, "Christian Service."

There will be two Bible study periods—the first day, "A Message of Opportunity," by Dr. E. H. Given, of

mentary, Presbyterian church, Mrs. Roselius; Secondary, (Teen Age), Methodist church, A. O. Williams; Adult Class, Christian church, M. W. Brumbaugh; Superintendents, Pastors and Township Presidents, Evangelical church, W. L. Biggs, presiding. Mr. Bowmar and Miss Beard will speak at each of these conferences, the other periods will be occupied by local workers who have "made good" and can present work in a practical way.

The evening session is patriotic. Mr. Frank Petree, of Oregon, will speak on "The Sunday School's Opportunity in the Nation's Call to Service." Mr. Bowmar and Miss Beard are also on the program. Special music and readings will vary the evening program.

Be sure and attend, you cannot afford to miss the convention. When you arrive in Oregon go at once to headquarters, register and get your assignment for your entertainment. Oregon is "at home" to the County Sunday School convention.

Let us make this the best convention in the history of the Association. MRS. KATHARINE McNAUL, County Secretary.

Down at the Depot.

Agent Morgan, of the Interurban railroad, did a good business during August, and he and his genial and accommodating crew were kept reasonably busy—in fact, so busy that they did not have time to play a single game of ball or go fishing. They handled 42 loaded cars and 291,777 pounds of miscellaneous freight—the total tonnage amounted to 2,039,124 pounds. They also handled 1,928 passengers, 1,594 gallons of cream and 36,133 pounds of express. The car load lots consisted of:

RECEIVED:	
Barrels.....1	Sewer pipe.....1
Cooperage.....3	Ice.....3
Cement.....1	Chautauqua.....1
Coal.....1	Outfit.....1
Oil.....1	Lumber.....2
Grain.....1	Sand.....2
Brick.....1	Granite.....1
Bldg. Tile.....1	Cattle.....3
Total.....29	
FORWARDED:	
Cattle.....2	Chautauqua.....1
Hogs.....3	Outfit.....1
Lumber.....1	Apples.....3
Cooperage.....1	Hay.....2
Total.....13	

A Tragic Death.

The people of Forest City and community were horrified last Wednesday afternoon, September 12, when the news came that the baby son of Henry Vandever was drowned, by falling into a large jar of water. The mother, being busy with her work, sent the children to look for the baby, having seen him only about fifteen minutes before. When found he was dead. Neighbors and friends were notified. Dr. Bullock was summoned, with hopes of restoring life, but after a long, tireless effort, on the part of the doctor and friends, it was found that life had gone.

Joseph Elijah, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Vandever, was born March 4, 1916, and died September 12, 1917, being 1 year, 6 months and 9 days old. A very great number of sympathetic friends attended the funeral service, September 13, at 2:30, conducted by Elder Albert Martin. A quartette very beautifully sang some of those consoling hymns to those that are of a broken heart. The auto procession then wended their way to the Forest City cemetery, where the little form was tenderly laid away to await the coming of the Lord.

Deputy Game Warden Here.

Alex Gibbs, of Tarkio, Mo., deputy game warden for Holt, Atchison, Nodaway, Gentry and Worth counties, was here, this week, and made us a pleasant call. Mr. Gibbs impressed us as a man who would use every effort to have the game laws enforced and seemed very anxious in regard to hunters taking out license. He reported the number of licenses granted in Holt county as above the average and was glad that the sportsmen of Holt took an interest along this line, and were not like so many, so he stated, that went to the southern part of the state, and as he said, in the majority of instances, never even attempted to take out a license.

Mr. Gibbs served the people of Atchison county for ten years as their county treasurer and in the last election was only defeated by ten votes.

A Wise Change.

Mound City, on Friday of last week, September 14, by a vote of 176 to 21, decided to go out of business so far as trying to supply themselves with water, and voted a franchise to the Mound City Light & Ice Company to supply the city with water, thus abandoning their own municipal system. Their local plant had practically served its day, and had been a source of expense to the tax-payer. Its machinery had been greatly impaired, and the people had tired of constantly digging down into their own pockets to maintain their municipal water plant. Their action was certainly wise in making the change, and Oregon should do the same thing regarding its light plant.

J. T. Wheeler, of Dover, Okla., is enjoying a visit with his sister, Mrs. A. B. Payne. He is on his way to Omaha.

Ass. Sharp, of Craig, and Andy Tochtman, of this city, are serving as grand jurors in the Federal court, which is in session in St. Joseph this week. They are promised a busy time investigating evidence of fraud and bribery in draft cases.

CITIZENS' MEETING

A public meeting of the citizens and tax payers of the City of Oregon is hereby called to meet in the Circuit Court Room on

Tuesday Evening, September 25, 1917 at 8 o'clock, p. m.,

for the purpose of hearing a statement of of the city's affairs; and for an expression of views regarding the lighting propositions before the city.

These affairs are your affairs, and as citizens, all should feel a deep and abiding interest in the city's welfare.

All citizens are invited to attend this meeting.

Let us have a full, fair and honest expression of sentiment.

GEO. R. MURRAY,

September 18th, 1917

Mayor

Came to Tent Meeting.

A delegation of some twenty-five people—men, women and children—belonging to the farming element of the vicinity of Sparks, Kansas, headed by Rev. A. E. Butler, of the Evangelical church of that section, came over to Oregon, Sunday last, and enjoyed the morning, afternoon and evening sessions of the tent meetings now in progress here. They left Sparks at 8:30 a. m., and arrived here at 9:45, coming in their cars, by the way of White Cloud, crossing at the ferry lately put into operation at that place, all the vehicles being accommodated on the ferry at one time. Among these was the large auto bus, used between St. Joseph and Highland, and driven by J. C. VanBibber.

The party brought their own commissary supplies and pick-nicked in our beautiful court house park. It was a merry crowd, and they not only greatly enjoyed and felt helped by the meetings, but by the outing as well. The party was composed of: Rev. A. E. Butler, Frank Troxell, E. J. Herring, P. J. Dawson, Oren Everest and their families; Mrs. T. G. Miller, Mrs. B. Bale, Mrs. Florence Herring, Mrs. Conrad Johnson, Mrs. E. R. Newton and daughter, Loyd Dawson, John Frakes, Dell Collins, John Sparks.

The distance from Sparks to this city, by way of White Cloud, is about 22 miles.

Ask Withdrawal of Objections.

Forest City, Mo., Sept. 17, 1917. To the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of Oregon, Mo.:

This city, by ordinance passed, and franchise voted, has asked the St. Joseph Transmission Company to enter our city and serve the electric light users with current. We understand that your Mayor and Board have made objection, and demanded a hearing before the Public Utilities Commission in this matter. We believe that this right, given the St. Joseph Transmission Company, is vested solely within the province of our citizens and this body, and such action has been taken by our Board, only after your light plant has had every possible opportunity to serve us with a good electrical service, and has failed to do so. Your objection is caused by our people and citizens much inconvenience and delay in getting a better grade of service. We, therefore, petition your Honorable Board to withdraw your objections that have been made before the Public Utilities Commission, that this matter may be settled without delay, inconvenience and expense.

(Signed) J. FRANCE, JR., Mayor, J. T. BIRMINGHAM, Alderman, J. M. SHUMATE, Alderman, A. J. LIMPP, Alderman, A. J. COTTEN, Alderman.

Mrs. Fred Cook was the guest of honor at a very pretty luncheon, given by Mrs. J. D. Rankin, at her home in Tarkio, on Saturday, September 15. Following the luncheon, "auction bridge" was played at two tables. The guests were: Miss Alberta Bragg, Miss Ina Botkin, Miss Mary Moore and Mrs. Bernard Everts, of Oregon; Mrs. Walter Rankin, Mrs. Arthur Rankin and Mrs. Blaine Shaum, of Tarkio.

Frank Fendegast, a former citizen of this city, writes George F. Seeman, under a recent date from Harrisburg, Oregon, where he is engaged in the manufacture of cigars, that he is getting along nicely—says they are all well, and like the country and are doing well in business. George Seeman and the Junior of this paper acknowledge the receipt of two fine obsidian (volcanic glass) arrow points, taken from a mound of the Digger Indians of that section of the state of Oregon.

Death of Rev. Jackson.

Noley Jackson has received the sad word that his father, Rev. D. G. Jackson, had passed away at his home in Zanesville, Ohio, on August 26. Rev. Jackson will be remembered by the older people of this county, as he was a highly respected citizen here several years ago.

Rev. J. G. Jackson would have been 62 years old in November. He was born in Sullivan county, Mo., twenty miles northeast of Trenton. He was married to Louisa Ralls in 1872. To this union five children were born, three of whom survive, namely: Noley and Gabriel, of Mound City, and Clifford, who is in the U. S. service in an Illinois cavalry regiment. Mrs. Jackson died while they lived in Mound City.

Rev. Jackson and family came to Holt county 26 years ago, and resided here three years, during which time Rev. Jackson served several churches of the Methodist Protestant denomination. From here he went to Ashton, Mo., from there to Illinois, and thence to Ohio.—News-Jeffersonian, September 14, 1917.

Not True.

The item in the St. Joseph News-Press, of Monday, September 17, stating that a farmer by the name of Lee Broecker, near Forbes, was drowned in the Missouri river, below Forbes, Sunday evening, was not true. Here are the facts: John and Lee Proctor had crossed the river last Sunday evening to the Kansas side, to buy some grapes. Coming back they stranded on a sand bar. John took one of the oars, and by wading and swimming succeeded in reaching the bank, leaving Lee in the boat, he going to town to get help to help his brother to shore. In the meantime it began to get cold, and Lee being thinly clad, attempted to get to the bank in the boat, but did not succeed—instead he drifted out into the current, landing the next morning at St. Joseph. Some trip and long hours in the cold, but he is all right.

Will Go to France.

Graham, son of Mrs. Minnie Moore, an Oregon boy, who graduated from our high school, class of 1914, is in the service of his country, as a member of the hospital corps and stationed at San Francisco, California, and expects to leave for France within a few weeks. He has met Buel Eneyart, who is also in the service. He is a son of Rev. T. J. Eneyart, of the M. E. church, who had this charge in 1906-08.

—Harry L. Jones, son of John M. Jones and wife, of this city, but now of Kansas City, has been accepted by the draft, and is now at Fort Riley, Kansas, Camp Funston, in Co. E, 356th Infantry. Well, we will bet Harry goes to the front, and makes a No. 1 soldier, as his father did before him.

—It is with keen sorrow that we learn of the death of Will McRoberts, for many years identified with the business life of Mound City, who died at his home in that city, Monday night of this week, September 17, 1917. The funeral services were held from the family home Wednesday afternoon. We hope for an obituary next week.

—Mrs. George Seeman and Mrs. J. A. Kreek and their husbands will entertain the members of Meyer Post, at the Seeman home, on tomorrow, Saturday afternoon, September 22; the Post meeting at 2 o'clock. Mrs. Seeman and Mrs. Kreek are daughters of the adjutant of the Post, Mr. F. S. Morgan, and this compliment to the "old Post" is paid them through him and wife by their daughters. Every member should try to be present.

He Will Come Back.

Not with the frequency of the change of the moon, but with a similar regularity, James McCrory, of Vacaville, California, comes back to the scenes of his boyhood days and makes a visit with his sister, Mrs. Matilda Teare, of Forest City, and his nephews, the Teare brothers—Howard, of Oregon; Tommy and Harry, of Forest City, and Louis, of Craig—and his cousin, Mrs. B. F. Morgan, of this city, and nieces, Mrs. Albert Markt, Mrs. William Markt, Mrs. Tressa Stephenson, and nephew, Geo. Stephenson, and also his niece, Mrs. Louis Luckhardt, of Tarkio. He makes these pilgrimages every few years, and thus keeps in personal touch with his kindred.

He is a son of Robert McCrory, who came to Holt county in 1842 and located in the Wm. Banks section. The great flood of 1844 forced the family out of that section, and they moved up to what was known as the Baldwin settlement, but is more recently termed the Blair section. The family consisted of father and mother and several children.

In that section were the Baldwins, Blairs, John and George; John Hutton, the Welch, Palmers, Downard families. The elder McCrory, being a great friend to the educational cause, enlisted in the question of establishing a school, and in the spring of 1845 a school was decided upon, by the building of a log school house, each citizen agreeing to furnish his proportion of logs, and they built the seats and furniture of native timber, and it was thus that the old and early day "Baldwin school" came into existence, with Harvey Alonzo Kenyon as the teacher.

The subject of our sketch, James McCrory, attended this school with Mark Moore, Dearborn, Irvine and Angeline Blair, John and William Welch and their sisters, Ben and Henry Palmer, the Downard and Jerry Baldwin children. The school was maintained by private subscription, and in those days there were no delinquents—the school subscription was regarded as sacred as any other obligation, and those even having no children did their part in a liberal way toward supporting the teacher. The teacher, of course, "boarded around" among the patrons.

Nearly there was laid out what is known as the Baldwin cemetery, and Mr. McCrory's mother and his brother Joseph, were among the very earliest burials there.

He married Catherine, daughter of John Russell, who came here with his brother, R. H. Russell, the early settlers of Holt county, who came here in 1838. There were 16 children in the John Russell family and his wife, now 75 years of age, is the last survivor of that family, and they were married in California 55 years ago, her father having gone to California in 1854.

Mr. McCrory is now 78 years of age; a wonderfully well preserved man in the physical, as well as the mental, without an ache or pain, and an intellectuality that is remarkably keen. It is a pleasure to talk to him—abreast of the times in all matters important, and he carries with him two badges, of which he or any other man might well be proud—the Sovereign Grand Lodge badge, conferred on members who have been members of the order for 50 years, and also the Grand Encampment badge. He was made a member of the order in Solano county, California, in 1861, and has received all the honors of the subordinate, encampment and Rebekah branches of that order.

Mr. McCrory, in company with Thomas Zook and others, crossed the plains for California in 1853, and he has constantly resided there, coming back occasionally on a visit.

In all these years until recently he was engaged in farming and stock raising, and has been so successful as now to be able to take life easy by retiring from active business life. He was born in Morgan county, Missouri, September 13, 1839, and celebrated his 78th birthday with his sister, Mrs. Teare, on Saturday last.

The McCrory family consisted of father and mother, William, Sam, Joseph, John, Mrs. Francis Pollock, Mrs. Wm. Cannon, now deceased. The living are: James, of Vacaville, California; Mrs. Matilda Teare, of Forest City, and Mrs. Joe Disher, of Santa Cruz, California.

While Mr. McCrory is pleased and satisfied with California, he cannot help having a fondness for old Holt county, and regards the Platte Purchase as one of the greatest producing bodies of land on the continent.

He is a most pleasing and entertaining conversationalist, and we greatly enjoyed his visit, and as he will be around for a few weeks, we hope he may find time to come and see us again.

A Good Record.

The class of '17 of our high school consisted of 14 graduates—nine of these will go away to some of the higher schools of learning: Virginia Netherlands, Mary Kneale and Ellen Pennel have entered the William Woods college at Fulton; Miss Nell Jasper, a Mound City girl, has been a member of the staff for the past ten years. Pauline Raley goes to Howard-Payne at Fayette. Verne Markt and Bernard Mitchell enter the State University at Columbia. Catherine Norris will be a student at the Maryville State Normal. Ethel Kreek will attend a business college at Kansas City. Eleanor Kunkel, Rowena Pierce and Anna Markt, of the class, are teaching. It is certainly a splendid showing for the class of 1917.

—Mr. and Mrs. Robinson Carson and Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Castle were in Savannah, last week.



HERMAN BOWMAR,
General Secretary of the State.

Minneapolis, Minn.: the second day, "A Message of Enlistment," by Rev. John A. McAfee, of Maitland.

The convention study has been arranged to touch every line of department of Sunday school work. The Elementary division work will be presented in detail; Cran's Roll, Graded Lessons, Beginners, Primary, Junior Study, Promotion Day, the Graded Union; the problems you may bring will be discussed by Miss Harriet Edna Beard, state superintendent of Elementary work. It is a rare opportunity for Primary workers who desire to qualify themselves to do better work.

Mr. Herman Bowmar, general secretary, will be the convention leader, assisted by Miss Beard. Mr. Bowmar is of state-wide reputation. International leaders speak of him as a "coming man." He is a fluent, forceful speaker, and will discuss some line of Sunday school work at each session. Some of his subjects are: "The Power of Working Together," "The Measuring Rod," "The Sunday School Superintendents' Program and Special Days," "The Adult Bible Class and Community Service," "The Activities



MISS HARRIET EDNA BEARD,
State Elementary Superintendent.

for Boys and Girls." Every Sunday school worker should attend and get practical ideas and inspiration from these experts.

Subjects of general interest will be presented. "Evangelism in the Sunday School" by Elder Murphy, of New Point. "The Religious Training of Children," by Mrs. D. A. Gelvin, of Maitland. "The Superintendent's Preparation for His Work," by H. K. Noel, of Maitland. "The Social Needs of Young People," Mrs. W. S. Thompson, of Craig.

Divisional conferences will be held at the different churches in Oregon and presided over as follows: El-